

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM INDUSTRY ON THE FINAL RFP FOR THE WEST VALLEY PHASE 1
DECOMMISSIONING – FACILITY DISPOSITION PROCUREMENT AND THE GOVERNMENT’S RESPONSES**

No.	Final RFP Section	Industry Question/Comment	Government Response
19.	Section L	<p>Section L.4(c), Factor 3 - Relevant Experience, appears to request that Part A of Attachment L-4 be included in this section for three (3) contracts for the Offeror and three (3) contracts for each major subcontractor and/or teaming participant. This Part A of Attachment L-4 is limited to five (5) pages, but the Relevant Experience section is not excluded from the overall proposal page limitations. If a team had three members of the Offeror (in an LLC structure, for example), this would result in 45 pages (3 firms times 5 pages each times 3 contracts each) of Relevant Experience information, a disproportionate amount of the total 100 page proposal limit.</p> <p>We request that DOE exclude the Attachment L-4, Part A forms from the page limitations.</p>	<p>Revised Answer:</p> <p>Attachment L-4, Parts A and B, are excluded from the 100 page limitation stated for Volume II - Technical Proposal. An amendment will be issued that formalizes this change.</p>
119.		<p>Please confirm that attachment L-4, Parts A and B, are not in the 100 page count for Volume 2.</p>	<p>Revised Answer:</p> <p>Attachment L-4, Parts A and B, are excluded from the 100 page limitation stated for Volume II - Technical Proposal. An amendment will be issued that formalizes this change.</p>
134.	Section L.2(f)	<p>Section L.2 (f) specifically exempts "Reference Information for Past Performance" from the page limitation. Attachment L-4 - EXPERIENCE & PAST PERFORMANCE REFERENCE INFORMATION FORM is used by DOE to fulfill the requirements of both Factor 3 and Factor 4. Section L.4(c), the directions for completion of Factor 3, requires that offerors provide information on three contracts for each team member "using the Attachment L-4, Experience and Past Performance Reference Information Form, for each contract."</p>	<p>Attachment L-4, Parts A and B, are excluded from the 100 page limitation stated for Volume II - Technical Proposal. An amendment will be issued that formalizes this change.</p>

		<p>1. The term "Past Performance Reference Information" is used only in the title of Attachment L-4, references to Attachment L-4, and <u>nowhere else in the RFP</u>.</p> <p>2. Section L.2 (f) specifically exempts "Past Performance Reference Information" from the 100 page limitation.</p> <p>3. Section L.4(c) places a five page limit on Part A of the "Experience and Past Performance Reference Information Form" for each project. This limitation would not be necessary if the pages of Part A were included in the 100 page proposal limitation, since their inclusion would place a much more severe limitation on page count. This further confirms that both Factors 3 and 4 are not included in the 100 page limit.</p> <p>4. Section L.4 (d) (1) requires that the same Attachment L-4, "Experience and Past Performance Reference Information Form," Parts A and B be used to respond to Factor 4. While Section L.4 (c) states that "There are no Page Limitations for Part B," it says nothing regarding page limitations for other portions of the form used to respond to Factor 4. Once again, the clear implication is that all parts of L-4 are exempt from the 100 page limitation regardless of the Factor that they are provided in response to.</p> <p>Based on the above, we interpret Section L.2 (f) to specifically exempt Attachment L-4, "Experience and Past Performance Reference Information Form" from the 100 page limitation, regardless of its use. To interpret the requirement otherwise would encourage offers to eliminate the use of all subcontractors, particularly small business, since to do otherwise would severely impact their ability to adequately address the technical approach to project execution.</p> <p>Please confirm that our interpretation of Section L.2 (f) is correct.</p>	
135.	Section L.2 (f)	<p>Section L.2 (f) {excerpt in italics}: Page Count Exceptions. <i>Every page of the Volume II – Technical Proposal shall be counted towards the page limitation, including attachments, appendices and annexes, except for the Table of Contents, Title Pages, Glossary, Dividers/Tabs, Blank Pages, Cross-</i></p>	<p>Attachment L-4, Parts A and B, are excluded from the 100 page limitation stated for Volume II - Technical Proposal. An amendment will be issued that formalizes this change.</p>

		<p><i>Reference Matrix, Key Personnel Resumes, Key Personnel Letters of Commitment, Reference Information for Past Performance, List of Terminated Contracts, and ESH&QA Past Performance Form. Past Performance Evaluation Forms are submitted by the references separately and thus are not included in the Volume II page limitation.</i></p> <p>The Government's responses to questions 19 and 119 appear to be in error. DOE does not typically include Past Performance Information Forms in the allocated page count, especially in a 100 page Technical Volume. Reference L.2 (f) expressly excludes the Reference Information for Past Performance (L-4 is titled Experience and Past Performance Reference Information Form). Should DOE desire to include L-4 forms in the page count, we recommend a revision to the L.2 (f) requirement to remove the reference. We would then recommend an increase in the Technical Volume page allocation to accommodate the L-4 forms (50 pages) to permit all Volume II requirements of the RFP to be addressed adequately. A simpler solution would be to keep the L-4 forms in their entirety out of the page limitation.</p> <p>Note the revision to the major subcontractor definition in Amendment 001 to encompass all parties that will work \$10 million (total life of contract) will require the inclusion of more L-4 forms for these "major subcontractors."</p>	
136.	L.2.(f)	<p>As stated in L.2.(f) "Every page of the Volume II – Technical Proposal shall be counted towards the page limitation... except for the Table of Contents, Title Pages, Glossary, Dividers/Tabs, Blank Pages, Cross-Reference Matrix, Key Personnel Resumes, Key Personnel Letters of Commitment, Reference Information for Past Performance, List of Terminated Contracts, and ESH&QA Past Performance Form. Past Performance Evaluation Forms are submitted by the references separately and thus are not included in the Volume II page limitation." And <i>DOE's response to question 119</i>. "Part A of Attachment L-4 will be included as part of the page limitation for Volume 2, however Part B will not. Attachment L-4 is also limited to no more than five pages for each contract." Please confirm that the Reference Information for Past Performance is page 1 of Part A of Attachment L-4 and is not included in the Volume II page limitation, as stated in L.2.(f).</p>	<p>Attachment L-4, Parts A and B, are excluded from the 100 page limitation stated for Volume II - Technical Proposal. An amendment will be issued that formalizes this change.</p>

137.	The response to Question 119	The response to Question 119 indicates that “Part A of Attachment L-4 will be included as part of the page limitation for Volume 2, however, Part B will not.” Section L.2 (f) Page Count Exceptions, indicates “ Reference Information for Past Performance ” is excluded from page count. Attachment L-4 is titled “Experience and Past Performance Reference Information Form.” Please confirm that <u>only Part B is excluded from page count</u> , in conformance to the response to Question 119.	Attachment L-4, Parts A and B, are excluded from the 100 page limitation stated for Volume II - Technical Proposal. An amendment will be issued that formalizes this change.
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